



Featuring
JACQUELINE WOODSON

2017 May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture

WHAT GETS LEFT BEHIND
Stories From the Great Migration



Saturday, April 1, 2017 / 7 pm
W.W. Hootie Johnson Performance Hall, USC

May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture

Each year a lecturer is chosen who will prepare a paper considered to be a significant contribution to the field of children's literature. It was known how May Hill Arbuthnot was thrilled at the prospect of this award providing a forum for "new voices speaking with new insight and new emphasis in the field of children's lectures." The lecture is funded by the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association and the world's largest organization dedicated to the support and enhancement of library service to children.

About Jacqueline Woodson



Jacqueline Woodson is the author of the National Book Award winning memoir in verse, "Brown Girl Dreaming," which was also a recipient of an NAACP Image Award winner (in the category of Outstanding Literary Work for Youth/Teens), Coretta Scott King Author Award, Newbery Honor, Sibert Honor, and many more. Woodson was recently named the Young People's Poet Laureate by the Poetry Foundation.

"What Gets Left Behind"

Ms. Woodson will present "What Gets Left Behind: Stories from the Great Migration." From the early 1900s until the mid 1970s, more than 6 million African Americans moved from the rural South to northern cities. The movement became known as the Great Migration. Ms. Woodson's mother and grandmother were among them. Her book "This is the Rope" uses a rope to frame a compelling story of one such journey of a family adapting to change as they hold on to the past and embrace the future. In the notes, she writes, "the rope we brought to this 'new country' was hope."

Welcome

Denise Lyons
*Deputy Director of Statewide Development
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Andrew Medlar
President, Association for Library Service to Children

Introduction of Guest Speaker

Julie Corsaro
Chair, 2017 Arbuthnot Honor Lecture Committee

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Wrap-Up and Q&A

Denise Lyons
*Deputy Director of Statewide Development
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A book signing and a reception will occur in the Sonoco Pavillion on the second level at the conclusion of the lecture and Q&A session.

Please silence your cell phones during Jacqueline Woodson's lecture. However, you may share your experience on social media during today's events by using the hashtag #_____.

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